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SUBSISTENCE PERMITS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

COVID-19

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 11, and 12, subsistence fishing is essential and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Subsistence fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: <https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/>

Subsistence Permits

Subsistence fishermen are required to have a household permit prior to fishing in portions of the Norton Sound-Port Clarence Area. For information on permits and fish species, contact the Fish and Game office in Nome at (907) 443-5167 or 1-800-560-2271. Permits are now available online to Alaska residents and are free of charge. Fishermen can obtain permits anytime at www.adfg.alaska.gov/store

Subsistence permits are listed in the ADF&G Store at the above web address under the "Fishing & Shellfish Permits" section. The following subsistence permits listed below are available online:

- 1) Cape Woolley Subdistrict Subsistence Salmon Permit applies to the area located between Cape Rodney and Cape Douglas, approximately 100 miles west of Nome, and it is accessible from the Nome-Teller Road beginning at mile 40.
- 2) Elim Subdistrict Subsistence Salmon Permit applies to the area located between Cape Darby and Bald Head, approximately 100 miles east of Nome, and is only accessible by boat or air.
- 3) Golovin Subdistrict Subsistence Salmon Permit applies to the area located between Rocky Point and Cape Darby. It is accessible from the Niukluk River at the end of the Nome-Council Road, is navigable by jet boat in both directions, and provides access to the Fish River drainage. Golovnin Bay and Golovnin Lagoon are both accessible from Fish River and the villages of Golovin and White Mountain.
- 4) Nome Subdistrict Subsistence Salmon Permit applies to the area located between Cape Rodney and Rocky Point, encompasses Nome, and all major water is accessible by road.
- 5) Pilgrim River Subsistence Salmon Permit runs from Imuruk Basin to Salmon Lake and parallels the Kougarok Road from Salmon Lake to the bridge at mile 65. Boats may launch just down from the bridge and the river is navigable from the bridge to Imuruk Basin (~34 river miles).
- 6) Port Clarence District Subsistence Salmon Permit applies to the area located between Cape Douglas and Cape Prince of Wales. It is accessible by both the Kougarok and Nome-Teller Roads.
- 7) Norton Sound Section Summer Crab Permit applies to all marine waters from Cape Romanzof to 66 degrees N latitude.

All harvest must be reported on your permit and the permit must be on your person while fishing. Fish taken under authority of these permits must be recorded immediately before leaving the fishing site. It is the subsistence permit holders' responsibility to make sure they are fishing in an area covered with their permit. Please call the Fish and Game office in Nome with any questions.

The department encourages the public to use the online store during this time of social distancing amid COVID-19. Permits will be available at the local Fish and Game office in Nome beginning June 1. Only one person at a

time will be allowed into the office to get permits. The department would like to thank everyone in advance for your cooperation. Good luck and have a great summer fishing season!